

## **EXTENSIBLE AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM AND METHOD**

### **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A system, method, and a program embodied on a computer readable

- 5 medium for performing authentication tasks is provided. In one embodiment, the system comprises a number of authentication agents, each of the authentication agents authenticating at least one user parameter by performing at least one authentication task. The system also includes an authentication manager that requests each of the authentication agents to authenticate an unauthenticated user
- 10 parameter.